DESPERATE FAITH

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l.	We need eyes to see	_ clearly.	Matt 20:29-34; Mk 10:46-52; II Sam 7:12-13; Lk 8:31-34
II.	We need eyes to see	honestly	Eph 2:8; Phil 1:28
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III.	We need eyes to see	humbly.	I Cor 1:26-31; Eph 4:1

Fill-ins: Jesus; ourselves; our; calling

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

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DISCUSSION

- 1. Read Luke 18:35-39. The blind man called Jesus "Son of David." Why is this significant? See Jeremiah 23:5-6.
- 2. The blind man asked Jesus to "have mercy" on him.
 - A. What does this indicate about the man's view of himself?
 - B. Considering Christ's apparent approval of this view, what does this tell us about ourselves?
- 3. Read Luke 18:40-41. Why do you think Jesus asked the man what he wanted Jesus to do for him?
- 4. Read Luke 18:42-43. Jesus said the blind man's faith had healed him.
 - A. What was the nature of that faith? See verse 41b.
 - B. Is there such a thing as faith without an object, i.e., faith that is not in some particular thing?
- 5. A. What happened as a result of the blind man's healing?
 - B. When have you expressed praise to God for something He's done for you?
- 6. A. What are some aspects of the blind man's faith that you can relate to?
 - B. What do you think the blind man's calling was?

APPLICATION

Desperate faith is expressed in action. Is there something that you are desperate for? Perhaps a friend or relative who has not "seen" Jesus? Perhaps an illness or a relational issue? Seek Jesus today, who alone knows our future and our calling, and act in biblical faith upon what he may show you.

PRAYER

Ask the Lord to give you "eyes to see" Jesus clearly, as He is and as He wants to be in your life. Ask Him to help you to see yourself honestly and with humility. Ask Him to show you your calling in the current circumstances of your life. Praise and thank Him for your own deliverances from difficult times or situations.